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1 O. What was discussed on that call?

- 2 A. The implementation it seems.
- 3 Well, if Radio Beacon was on there, I'm sure
- 4 it was about Radio Beacon. Paul Killingsworth
- 5 was on there. Paula Hendley, whoever that is.
- 6 I don't know who that is. And at LSi, we had
- 7 everybody. Avery will send you a recap with
- 8 the plan, so we must have been -- I don't know
- 9 specifically. Everyone's in the boat. Radio
- 10 Beacon and SAP are anxious to resolve and are
- 11 supplying great people.
- 12 Q. You don't recall who Paula
- 13 Hendley was?
- 14 A. I don't.
- 15 Q. So your testimony, or would you
- 16 agree with me that the installation and
- operation of the SAP Business One software at
- 18 Hodell was a failure, correct?
- MR. STAR: Objection to form.
- THE WITNESS: No. I mean, they ran
- 21 their business on it for two years.
- BY MR. LAMBERT:
- 23 Q. You would agree with me it did
- not work as it was supposed to work, correct?
- MR. HULME: You mean at -- what point

1 A. They weren't going to fix the

- 2 problem. They had to find something else to
- 3 blame it on. I mean, we have documentation
- 4 that SAP is not going to fix the problem.
- 5 Probably the most legitimate one is from Miki
- 6 Zilberstein.
- 7 (Whereupon, Exhibit 61 was marked for
- 8 identification.)
- THE WITNESS: Where we at here?
- 10 September of 2007. Okay. Okay.
- MR. LAMBERT: What number is that?
- THE WITNESS: Sixty-one.
- 13 BY MR. LAMBERT:
- 14 Q. Have you reviewed Exhibit 61?
- 15 A. Have I, yeah. I'm on it right
- 16 now. I have seen it, right here.
- 17 Q. What is -- what is Exhibit 61?
- 18 A. It looks like it's a -- a message
- 19 guide for field sales and partners.
- 20 O. Well, on the front, what is it?
- 21 A. Pardon me?
- 22 Q. It's an email from you to --
- 23 A. Oh, it's an email from me to
- 24 Kevin with an attachment, copying Otto. This
- was what is announced today, so on

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- 1 in time are you talking about?
- 2 THE WITNESS: Yeah.
- 3 BY MR. LAMBERT:
- 4 Q. Ever?
- 5 A. Ever?
- 6 Q. Right.
- 7 A. Okay. Are you talking about SBO
- 8 or In-Flight?
- 9 Q. I'm talking about SAP Business
- 10 One.
- 11 A. I agree that the SAP Business One
- 12 DI API problems were unacceptable.
- 13 Q. And they were never fixed, right?
- 14 A. Not to -- no. No.
- 15 O. When did the number of users on
- 16 the SAP Business One system start being
- 17 discussed between you and -- and SAP?
- 18 A. As being a problem?
- 19 Q. Yes.
- 20 A. Oh, probably shortly after go
- 21 live.
- 22 Q. And why did it come up?
- 23 A. In my opinion, it was a way for
- 24 Kraus and Sotnick to run for cover.
- 25 O. Well, in what regard?

- 1 September 19th, 2007.
- 2 Q. Why were you sending it to Otto
- 3 and Kevin?
- 4 A. Well, let's see. What does it
- 5 say? Okay. My guess would be to let them
- 6 know the new typical number of employees that
- 7 they are recommending SAP Business One be sold
- 8 into, which would be under 100, 10 to 100
- 9 employees, fewer than 50 users. And this came
- 10 out September 2007. So this -- SAP at this
- 11 point was trying to prevent future Hodells
- 12 from happening.
- 13 Q. Okay. My question was, why did
- 14 you send it to Otto and Kevin in September of
- 15 2007?
- 16 A. The kimono is open. I mean, they
- 17 -- if I felt this was significant to know,
- 18 they should have felt this was significant to
- 19 know.
- 20 Q. Okay.
- 21 A. I found it interesting. I'm sure
- 22 they found it interesting.
- 23 Q. If you turn to the first page of
- 24 that document, it's called a message guide for
- 25 field sales partners --

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1 BY MR. LAMBERT:	1 suggesting when you say that they were running
2 Q. Did not?	2 their business on it?
3 MR. HULME: What is the question?	3 A. No. What I was suggesting is is
4 THE WITNESS: It's my understanding	4 we delivered our part of that contract.
5 BY MR. LAMBERT:	5 Q. Which was?
6 Q. I got it backwards.	6 A. In-Flight integrated into SAP
7 A that Hodell did not do what?	7 Business One.
8 Q. You keep making reference to 100	8 Q. You don't feel any responsibility
9 licenses, 80 that Hodell purchased and 20 that	9 for the fact that Business One itself didn't
10 were given by SAP. And my question is, are	10 work?
11 you disregarding the 40 that it referenced on	MR. STAR: Objection to form.
12 Exhibit 155?	12 THE WITNESS: That was outside of our
13 A. All right, I don't quite	13 control. We had no access to the source code
understand Exhibit 155, is what I guess I'm	14 of Business One. And we tried everything
15 saying.	15 humanly possible to to get it resolved.
16 Q. Okay.	16 BY MR. LAMBERT:
17 A. They got 80, and they paid for	17 Q. Well, In-Flight was only useful
18 80. And then later on, after go live, they	18 to the extent that it was incorporated into
got another 20 from Hodell, or from SAP.	19 Business One, correct?
20 Q. For free?	20 A. In-Flight
21. A. For free. I guess. I was not	21 Q. Had no usefulness to Hodell on
22 involved in that.	22 its own, correct?
23 Q. So you don't have any knowledge	23 A. Without SAP?
24 of the 40 CRM user licenses	24 Q. Right.
25 A. I really don't.	25 A. Correct.
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1 Q referenced in Exhibit 155?	1 Q. So that if Hodell wasn't running
2 A. I don't. And that's why I asked,	2 its business, could not run its business on
3 wasn't I don't know for sure, but I kind of	3 Business One, In-Flight, in fact, would not
4 remember somebody asking me a question about	4 deliver what was promised, correct?
5 Otto wanting a year-end tax thing or	5 MR. STAR: Objection.
6 something.	6 THE WITNESS: In-Flight In-Flight
7 Q. You don't know for sure	7 was what?
8 A. I don't know for sure.	8 BY MR. LAMBERT:
9 Q what that was for?	9 Q. Hodell if you agree with me
10 A. I don't know for sure.	10 that Hodell could not run its business on
11 Q. Okay.	11 Business One as it functioned, which I think
12 A. All I know for sure is they had	12 we're in agreement on, correct?
13 80 and then 20.	13 MR. HULME: Objection, form.
14 Q. You made several statements today	14 THE WITNESS: I don't understand it.
and yesterday that Hodell was running its	15 BY MR. LAMBERT:
business on Business One, correct?	16 Q. Do you agree with me that the
17 A. Correct.	performance of Business One was unacceptable
18 Q. Are you suggesting that in any	18 at Hodell-Natco?
19 way it's inappropriate for Hodell to	19 A. I do.
20 eventually decide to abandon the Business One	20 Q. Okay. Do you agree with me that
21 In-Flight software and move to a different	21 Hodell-Natco had every right eventually to
22 package?	22 abandon Business One and move to a different
23 A. Do I feel it's inappropriate for	23 software package?
them to abandon it?	24 A. Sure.

25 Q. Well, is that what you're

25 Q. Okay. I don't have anything